# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
# LOK SABHA

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OIL REFINERY AT PARADIP IN ORISSA
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**Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:**

(a) the total land required for the oil refinery at Paradip in Orissa;

(b) whether there has been inordinate delay in the acquisition of land and payment of compensation to the farmers;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor;. and

(d) the steps taken to expedite the acquisition of land and payment of compensation?

## Answer

MININSTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

( SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR )

(a) to (d): A total of 3350 acre of land is being acquired/alienated for the refinery & associated facilities at Paradip in Orissa. Application for acquisition of land was made by Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL) on 14.7.98Private land is being acquired under the Land Acquisition Act. Compensation for the private land have been progressively paid by IOCL to Orissa Infrastructure Development Corporation (IDCO) by 23.3.1999.However, enhanced compensation was demanded by the Government of Orissa in May, 1999 and the final amount was finalised in October, 1999 under consent award. The additional funds, were released by IOCL in November, 1999. However, disbursement to land losers could start only on 14.1.2000 due to pre-occupation of State administration in cyclone relief work.